



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Howard R. Longbrake
Appl. No. : 10/647,702
Filed : August 25, 2003
Title : KNIFE SHARPENER APPARATUS

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Examiner : Maurina T. Rachuba

Docket No. : 35457
Customer No. : 000,116

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed December 20, 2005. The three-month period for responding to the Office Action expires on March 20, 2006. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$100.00 for an additional independent claim.

Please amend the application as follows.

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date indicated below.

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March 7 2006

Date